

## Our second Annual Blissymbolics Luncheon and Silent Auction at the Port Carling Golf and Country Club



**Cheryl Pounder**


We were indeed fortunate to have Cheryl Pounder (2002 Olympic Gold Medallist) as our guest speaker. She talked about making impossible dreams into reality only by focusing and never letting things get in the way of reaching your dreams. She reflected on her dreams of standing on the platform receiving the gold medal and the overwhelming journey to get there. She drew many similarities to the struggles and the successes of those who are non-speaking and who work so hard to realize their dreams.

We all enjoyed the message that she brought. Cheryl then auctioned off one of her number eleven hockey sweaters. "For the cause" she said, as she held everyone in the room in her hand and raised \$1,000 for the Bliss learning Centre!

We thank everyone who made the event such a successful one. And we extend a special thanks to all who donated items for the auction!



**Cheryl with Samantha Millar**



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